Dear Jim, Policoff and the SatEvePost 9/17/75

You should know better than to think that when I am angry about what I regard as unethical behavuor by others and I do not hide my anger from you that it is addressed to you.

We spoke about this projected Post article a week or more ago. I then suggested that you suggest to Jerry that he speak to me first or in the alternative, that he refer the Post to me on this. All the original work in the medical field is mine and is copyrighted as mine except for the insane, like Cyril's.

I could not write this immediately because the phone hasn't stopped all afternoon and early evening. I had to finish the started letter to Bud and when Lil calls me I'm mailing that letter to Bud, going into town to do it because if he has not called Livingston the potential is too serious to run any risk.

I have sold xeroxed copies or Post Mortem and other books, in each case extracting a written pledge of no use. With people like Jerry I did not feel it necessary to get it in writing. Bud had he not assured me that he had no intention of ever writing on the subject, was merely interested, he'd never have had a copy.

What he will want to forget and perhaps you also do is the violence of our disagreement over just this at the time of Cyril's ego-tripping. I was pretty much alone then and remember it clearly enough. I also have correspondence on this.

I have lived too many painful years in which others who are without need get paid for a rehash of my work. If Jerry were really being ethical about this he'd have spoken to me. If he were not hungup on his own emotions he also would have spoken to me. He has wasted hundreds of hours in pointless calls over the years but on this hasn't phoned me once. And I'mx to have no questions?x

Generally I am regarded as an impatient and intolerant man. But stop and think about what I've been publicly silent about with Bud alone. Now you know all the other such ripoffs. (By the way, I am getting another XXatler for you for Kellogg if you need it. I have it located and it will be mailed.)

I don't want you to get involved in this. I think you should stay entirely out of it. For more reasons than that you do not have time. But I'm not going to involve you by spelling them out. My anger was at having so few I've known and trusted who would not disgrace an underattended barnyard. Jerry is one, despite all you know. He has done some pretty rotten things that to him are of another character. If he can't control his emotional involvements I'm not going to try.

The Post was in touch with me months ago. They didn't even know about Howard until I told them. One of those who called me wanted to kill their intent to reprint the Whalen article, it was thatxxx long ago. Before that special issue went to press. I've checked the file. May 2 Bayliss, the editor, thanked me for the phone conversation. Maybe elsewhere I have notes on the other one.

Do you not think there has to be a question when they have my books and they have spoken to me when they bypass me this way? And with a Jerry, who really is expert on nothing except some of the press treatment?

I do wish you could understand that the present issue is not press and that while it may be impossible for me to do anything about these plagiarisms the chance that I can means more to me and to the ultimate unravelling than any mention of the books, which is at best small fry.

Lil calls. Maybe I'll be able to add to this later. But when the Anson six-figure deal that is a theft follows on so many other of which you know enough don't expect my veins to carry icewater, especially when supposed friends are doing the unethical. I do not propose to subsidize Jerry's ego or ambitions. Or his past.

I've asked Lil and she confirms no exception to the stipulation on letting any xerox copy out of my possession.

My anger was not as you. Jerry knows what he is doing and what the fact and truth are and can't contol himself. Here you phoned again. Best,